

**REMARKS****I. Status of the Claims**

Claims 1-20 are pending in the application. Claims 1-9 are allowed, and claims 10-20 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph. The specific grounds for rejection, and applicants' response thereto, are set out in detail below.

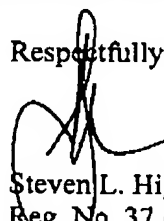
**II. Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. §112, First Paragraph**

Claims 10-20 stand rejected under the first paragraph of §112 as (a) lacking an enabling disclosure in the specification and (b) lacking an adequate written description in the specification. Applicants traverse, but in the interest of advancing the prosecution, these claims are canceled without prejudice or disclaimer to further prosecution of the canceled subject matter in one or more continuing applications. Withdrawal of the rejection is therefore respectfully requested.

**III. Conclusion**

In light of the foregoing, applicants respectfully submit that all claims are in condition for allowance and an early notification to that effect is earnestly solicited. Should the examiner have any questions regarding this response, a telephone call to the undersigned is invited.

Respectfully submitted,



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